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METHODISM IN TENNESSEE!

THE STATE CONFERENCE DECIDES TO MEET IN SHELBYVILLE.

The Delapidated Condition of Turner Normal—The Sunday School Union Once Our Pride—How General Conference Erred.

The announcement is made at last through the special "conference committee" that the the Tennessee Conference will not met at Knoxville, but at Shelbyville. It is a matter of much regret that the change had to be made so late in the season. That people asked for it last conference, but the invitation was rejected The decision to accept now, comes as a case of emergency. The church was then building; and had the invitation been accepted when offered, the edifice would no doubt have been erected by this time. It will strain that membership now to its utmost tension to prepare for the reception of the conference by October. It is gratifying, however, to know that the people of Shelbyville understand how to entertain strangers. They will do their best. Shelbyville is the seat of Turner Normal School. The conference will have a chance to see whether or not the reports of the demoralized condition of that institution have been exagerated by the writer from time to time.

It will be seen that the institution must either cease operations or be given respectable attention as I have from time to time reported to the conference. The school was taught last session in the dilapidated shanty known as the public school building, because the building of Turner Normal was unfit for use.

May day was not observed at all this year; and not a word said about it. The general board of Trustees have had no meeting this year; nor has it been called to meet. It will endeavor to "hatch up" a formal report to the conference with no knowledge of its work. Such a report will be worse than no report at all. The manner in which the school was operated during the last session was by no means praise-worthy to say the least of it. This, however, should not be construed as an unpleasant reflection upon the president, or the faculty, for they did the best they could under the circumstances. Not one of them received as much during the session as one of the faculty's "farm hands." It will be remembered that one of the members of the faculty is a well to do planter. The most adverse circumstances confronted the management of the school last session from start to finish. I repeat again something must be done. I believe it will be done if we go to Shelbyville with the conference.

Every consectional School of any prominence presented a report to the General Conserence. None went from Turner Normal. I do not know who is to blame. Probably the failure lays in the fact that on account of inconsistencies in its management nobody knew whose business it was to present the report. The reading clerk imforms me that the report was called for, but the call met no response. Some may say that this criticism is made on the grounds of some personal prejudice, that I have some "ax to grind." But reference to my official report to the conference for the last three years which I was president of the institution, will satisfy any fair minded man that I am thoroughly in earnest. There is not a report in which I have not used stronger terms than I have in the letter.

SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

This grand institution was at one time the pride of the connection, especially to Tennessee on account of its location in our captal city. We are proud of it still. But who will deny the fact that one feels a sense of humiliation today when he enters our once flourishing Sunday school Union building and finds that it is as silent as the tomb. A few months ago the fire fiend came near destroying that property. Dr. C. S. Smith with that energy characteristic of the man, proceeded at once to set things in order. He went as far as he could go, even farther than some thought he ought to have gone, or could go. It was the hope of many that the fifty per cent of children's day money would be restored to the Sunday School Union at the last General Conference, and that other provisions would be made for the perpetuity of the Church Extension Society. But men are falable; they make mistakes. Wise legislation characterized the last General Conference in many things; but in this matter it erred. Why not place the Union upon its feet again? Why not place the manager in a position to employ his own help, and let the literature come direct from our own house as heretofore? Why should we have a house practically empty and closed when it could be in operation? Why pay out thousands of dollars annually to a white publishing house, when we could save it to the church. Why not employ colored printers in our own establishment instead of giving our work to white establishments? Dr. Smith is a great man in his sphere. Bishop Timber is numerous. General secretaryship material is plentiful, Editor Matter is legion, But men competent to manager a first class publishing house are "few and far between." Dr. Smith has proven himself equal to the task. He is no new, untried strippling; hence the present codition of the union cannot be laid at his door. Unite his hands, unfetter his feet, let the giant shake himself and turn round; and it will not be long before there will be heard the puffing of the engine, the rattle of the press, the clicking of the type, and from twenty to thirty colored young men and women will find employment in our house. The institution will then be a far greater blesssing to the church and race, and thousands of dollars will flow into the coffers of the connection which now go to build up the treasury of others.

Rt. Rev. Moses B. Salter is with us again for the next quadreunium—the meek and gentle "Moses." Under his administration it is hoped that Tennessee will take on new life. Bishop Salter is, after all, the true type of the new testament bishop—a bishop of the new dispensation. He is at once the lion and the lamb. One must know him to understand him. In order to know him, one must study him. No trumpet heralds his coming; no storm proclaim his presence, but when he is gone, all recognize a deep and abiding impression by his having been present. Bishop Salters knows Tennessee quite well now after threeiyears sojourn with us. At the expiration of the present term he will have been with the Tennessee Conference seven successive years. We predict a glorous ending of the quadrenium. In my next I will notice the matter of the Tennessee Conference Quarto-Centennial and African Methodist Congress to take place during the Centenial in 1897 at Nashville.

J. A. JONES,

Fayetteville, Tenn.

Lodge Notes.

Denyer, Colo., Special.

Mrs. J. W. Young, of Leadville, is the guest of Matron Lulu Jones and Vice-Matron D. L. Roberson. Mrs. Young is delegate and representative of the Queen Esther Court of Colorado. Sunday June 21 divine services in the morning at Shorter's Chapel were conducted by the Rev. S. W. Byrd, pastor of that church. At 2 o'clock the Rev. D. E. Johnson of the church of the Redeemer, delivered the Masonic sermon at Zion Baptist to a crowded house. Tuesday morning the first grand session of Queen Esther Grand Court of the State of Colorado and Jurisdiction with M. A. G. M., A. E. Anderson and V. G. M., J. W. Young, occupying the East and West, and Sister Cora Anderson acting grand secretary; with Mrs. Lyda Howard, of Denver and Mrs. Fannie Johnson, of Colorado Springs, guarding the gates, and Past D. G. M., C. A. Cornett, M. W. G. I. The entire session which was crowded with business was characterized by a christian spirit, and though there was some fear entertained least some of the misunderstanding of the year might culminate in some unpleasantness was agreeably suppressed. All animosity was suppressed; all differences explained and a general good feeling prevailed four days; hard work accompanied with a good social time and ended the session by electing and installing the following grand officers: Mrs. A. E. Anderson, Grand Matron; Mrs. Fannie Johnson, V. G. M.; Mrs. J. W. Young, G. O. T.; Mr. Ellen Burr, G. O. S.; Mrs. D. L. Roberson, Grand Lecturer; Mrs. H. Cassell and Miss Lottie Burton was elected Grand Inner and Outer Gate Keepers. Rev. F. Curtis, M. W. G. I., was appointed grand officer at the close of the Grand Court. Heroines were highly entertainby Past Matron Katy Hill on Friday and Saturday. We partook of an elegant lunch at Past Grand Treasurer Harriet Shipton and her daughter, Mrs. H. J. Cassells. From thence we were invited to meet the Eastern Star Chapter at 3 that afternoon where we had an enjoyable time. We were served with strawberries, cake and cream at M. A. G. M., A. E. Anderson at 6 p. m., when some of the delegates and grand officers left the city for their several homes in the mountain towns while others remained in the city over Sunday and attended the funeral of Mr. John Thomas who had died from injuries received from being struck by a D. R. G. engine. The funeral discourse was delivered by Presiding Elder P. A. Hubbard and was conducted by the Odd Fellows and Daughters of Ruth, which turned out in large numbers Mrs. Young was entertained by Mrs. William Russ. Mrs. Russ is a charming hostess and an accomplished pianist. Through the kindness of Mrs. W. H. Davis, of Salt Lake City, Utah, we visited Elestyh Garden, Manhattan Beach and other pleasure resorts. The union picnic at Rocky Mountain lake was an enjoyable affair. Mrs. J. W. Young left July 1st for Colorado Springs and Manitou,

Honors Well Deserved.

It is not often one can regard the honorary degrees conferred by universities with a feeling of admiration as honors worthily won. Big colleges as well as little ones are more apt to confer them as a settlement of obligations for benefits received than as a recognition of the qualifications of the recipients to be decorated. The profuseness of the shower of degrees is quite as extraordinary as the misfits in the degrees themselves, since it is no uncommon thing for a man who has been generous to a college to find himself announced to the astonished world as a Doctor of Laws, or a Doctor of Philosophy, or a Master of Arts, though he may know no more of law, philosophy, or arts of any kind than a crow.

Harvard University this year, however, has proved itselt a notable exception to the rule. Among the many recipients of its honorary degrees there were four men who clearly are entitled to the honor and who were awarded it, not for favors past, present, or future, but because of their eminent services in their various departments of labor. They include a distinguished army officer, a brilliant man of letters, a prominent representative of religion and education, and a black man who not only has risen to the highest rank as a scholar and an orator, but who since the death of Frederick Douglass has been conceded the position of leader of his people in the United States.

It is needless to dwell upon the merits of that distinguished soldier, Nelson A. Miles, General of the Army; of Bishop Vincent, who has piloted so many thousands of American youth on their upward and onward educational course; or of Thomas Bailey Aldrich, one of the brightest representatives of American prose and poetry. All of these deserved the honors awarded them, but not one of them was more entitled to the recognition of this ancient seat of learning than Booker T. Washington, the colored man, director and projector of the Tuskegee, Ala., Manual Training Institute. No man has more clearly recognized the limitations of his race or more clearly pointed out the methods by which they can be removed and the colored man can advance his interest side by side with the white man. No one can estimate the good which his institute is doing in the education of colored girls and boys to rely upon themselves, to cultivate and develop their industrial and artistic powers, to stimulate their pride and elevate their ambitions.

Mr. Washington is the genius of this remarkable school and he manages it with consummate ability. Its success was conspictously displayed at the Atlanta Exposition. Among all the eloquent white speakers at the inauguration of this exposition, not one could compare in scholarship ro eloquence with Washington. In all the diversified display of the products of Southern industry and skill there was not a more attractive exhibit than that of the Tuskegee Institute in the Negro building, It was a surprising revelation of the progress which the Negro race has made in the arts and the new triumphs which await under the skillful guidance of this man. Harvard has honored the race and no less honored itself by naming Booker T. Washington Master of Arts. Master he is, no longer serf.—Chicago Tribune.

TWO VALUABLE ARTICLES

FROM THE PENS OF DR. STEWART AND BISHOP EMBRY.

A Few Writers Mentioned who Give Strength to Character—Inconsistency of the Bishops—Other Grievances—The Church.

In the Recorder of July 2d there appeared two articles of a rare and valuable kind. There was no unusual purity of diction, no special beauty or force of expression, no new or extraordinarily protound thought but in each of these two articles there was perfect candor. It is a rare thing for an Atro-American writer to say just what he actually believes and to say it in a calm and even manner. Dr. T. S. Steward has for years been regarded as one of our most cultured men, but there has usually been an acidity about his utterances which inclined most readers to the belief that personal feelings were more powerful than actual convictions. Hence he was classed as a "kicker," and read with a prejudice that was indeed unfair. Bishop Embry has also for years been known as a man of original thought and splendid ability, but he had the reputation of being pessimistic and his best utterances were often regarded as "grunts." The most biased reader must drop all previous prejudices when he digests the two articles for these able men. Bishop Embry writes under the caption, "A Retrospect and Prospect, 1872-'96." Dr. Steward's article entitled, "Literary Fitness and church Editorship." There are several assertions in each article with which many will not agree but the valuable feature is that the writers are perfectly frank. I have noticed that some of our most liberal minded Bishops unconsciously manifest a disposition to stifle the expression of any opinions that do not harmonize with theirs and to silence any person who does not speak in unqualified praise of them. The Bishops have become so accustomed to having around them a swarm of sycophants that many of them do not know how either to value or to win the respect of manly men. The church has so long been able to control the utterances of her leading men that it seems strange to behold a man of prominence who dares to talk in the language of the present and to express views such as are in accord with the real thought of to-day. Writers like the fearless Ransom, Holbrooks, Downs, and a few others will be both strengthened and encouraged by the course taken by such able men as Embry and Steward.

Some weeks ago Rev, Mr. Johnson, of Abbeyville, S. C., replied, through these columns, to an article relating to the case of C. W. Preston. Mr. Johnson writes in the spirit of a true man and without indulging in abuse gives a plain statement of the facts as seen by him. That is what both the church and the public want. The case is this, after about nineteen years of service as a pastor, during the course of which he has arisen to great prominence, Rev. C. W. Preston, whose character has never been questioned at nineteen conferences, is denounced as a bigamist, This denunciation comes on the eve of an important election and appears to proceed from parties who will be personally benefitted. After his disappearance from the field is secured his denouncers become mysteriously silent. This leads all honest men to demand that the matter be gone into fully. If Preston is guilty, then let those who possess the evidence come forward and prove his guilt. If he is innocent then let his defamers be exposed. Unless Preston is convicted the world and church will have a right to believe that there was no truth in the charges but that they were made to carry other points. If he is convicted then a victory for right will be won and those who have kept in guilty secret their knowledge for years will be justly condemned. The writer has no disposition to try to shield a guilty man but he does detest a coward and all who claim to know that the charges against Preston are true and who yet hid back are cowards. Not long ago several Bishops wanted to remove one of the most learned professors in our schools because he did not show a fondness for praying in public, did not meet the ideas of narrow standards, etc., and yet the whole bench of Bishops quail before Bishop Turner behind whose skirts hides Ridgel, the world famous bigamist. Some Bishops have even gone so far as to introduce Ridgel's victim to their conferences and to associate her with members of their own families. In the name of all that is consistent how can Preston be pushed to the wall and Ridgel lifted to the skies? Thank God there are a majority of the Bishops who do regard bigamy as a crime and who may yet save the church and race from disgrace by taking a firm stand on this vital question. It African Methodism can't do it then she can supply no needed part to the elevation of a race. If Bishop Turner's salvation depends upon his protectorate over Ridgel then choose between saving Bishop Turner or surrendering a great principle, The Preston matter is in the hands of Bishop B. T. Tanner who has the reputation of being one of the leaders of higher thought. If he is half as earnest in his war against vice as he is in his crusade against ignorance all can rest assured that there will be no dodging of the issue. Bishop Gaines will no doubt be present, if there will be a fully sifting of the matter. Had Bishop Gaines been able to secure the attendance of certain witnesses, there is one of his collegues who would have perhaps walked the plank. Bishop Gaines may

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CLEANLINESS A PASSPORT

INTO THE CONFINES OF ANY WELL REGULATED CIRCLE.

Sound, Practical Knowledge Should Be Given More Attention Among The Leaders—Soar too High In Race Literature.

While pastor of a church having a number of members who lived in the country, I once called upon a man who held an important office in the church at C— and who was regarded as a person of superior parts. As I drew near the little farm which he rented, I noticed about the fences, the growing crops, the gates and at last the house, many things which indicated negligence upon the part of my good officer and superior man. I found him at home, not in the field but in the house, busy reading a newspaper. It did not take long to find out that he was sadly in debt, that his venture as a farmer was turning out to be a failure and that he was shrinking from his difficulties rather than facing them with hope and courage. I found him quite willing, as soon as I let him give direction to our conversation, to lead away from the subject of his own difficulties and to talk about "how to solve the race problem." I gave him full sway and only said enough to stimulate him to pour out his soul. He talked long, loudly, earnestly; at times eloquently and always with the air of one who believes all that he is saying. While he was talking I was debating to myself whether to win his lasting friendship by seeming to appreciate his utterances or to risk the loss of his friendship by frankly telling him that which I felt it my duty as his pastor to say.

It may look trivial for me to admit that I hesitated about uttering my convictions out of regard for how it would be received but any Methodist preacher will understand the constant temptation to be a little less frank in order to be a little more popular. However, I decided to do my duty and immediately proceeded to point out to my good brother his inconsistency by asking him if he did not see that the best way for him to do his part in solving the race problem would be to give proper attention to that portion of it represented by himself? He was intelligent enough to appreciate my meaning and was honest enough to give my words some consideration. He is today a successful and prosperous man and has lately written to me and attributed his turn toward success to the conversation above mentioned.

There are no doubt thousands of such incidents in the experience of the great host of teachers, preachers and others who may read these words. This particular incident teaches a lesson that may properly be given wider application. Our race literature is briefly made up of books, booklets, and articles which soar way up above the affairs of real life. We are constantly giving expression to ideas that have no relation to the improvement of actual conditions. Why would it not be wise for us to take ourselves just as we are and begin to make efforts toward improvement? In select circles we may air our knowledge of the classics and give expression to our profounder thoughts, but in our general utterances, why not act like practical, sensible men?

The above is intended to explain the motive of the following article and to be a preface for others that may follow.

In order to do our part in the work of elevating the race, we must first have clear conceptions of the actual things to be accomplished. In what special points are we behind or beneath the so-called white people? What is it we seek, equality of condition or equality in the matter of social intercourse? A little thought will clearly show that we can not attain the latter without first securing the former. When we do reach equality of condition there is only one phase of equality in social intercourse which we could demand as our right and that is in that phase of our life as citizens which brings us in social contact with the whites in hotels, places of public gathering, civil and political functions, etc. In social phases of private life, individual preferences will always control. If we are ever accorded equality in the social side of civil life, one great barrier between us and our white friends will be remembered in private life, and those who do respect us as individuals will have the sanction of public example to justify them should they choose to give us recognition at their tables or in their parlors, not as freaks or curiosities, but as friends and equals.

There is a vast difference between being patronized and being treated as an equal. But the point is this: It is of vital concern to our future welfare that we early escape the disgrace put upon us before the whole world by the discriminations practiced against us in our soeial relations as citizens with with other citizens. To be driven to Jim Crow cars, etc., is to be publicly degraded and branded as inferior. An individual or a class of individuals who go to make up the public are quite reluctant to openly put a much higher value upon a person than what the public practices or sanctions. It is for this reason that many white men explain their friendship for a particular colored man by saying to their friends, "Jim is a good fellow." It is by this special pleading that many colored individuals are smuggled into society from which they would otherwise be excluded. So long as the race as a race is publicly degraded, just that long will it be impossible for any individual of the race to be free from taint in the general opinion of society. This truth brings us face to face with the practical conclusion. It is impossible to fit all the individuals of the race to demand respect. There will always be inferior colored and white people, therefore we must recognize the fact of classes among us. This truth must lie at the very foundation of our social life. When we recognize such differences as exist and learn to make proper distinctions ourselves, it will not be long before others will do the same.

Among the better elements of the whites there are certain conventionalities and exactions which must absolutely be respected by all who would mingle. One is cleanliness. The different social classes are distinguished by their cleanliness as well as by their other virtues. A man may be a senator, a multi-millionaire or a prince, but if he is dirty he is excluded from the society of the refined, can we hope to revolutionize the long standing opinions of society? It is absolutely shocking to notice how many among us who hold the very highest public positions, are so offensive in their persons as to be objectionable to the refined. A neatly dressed, cleanly appearing persons with gentle manners is seldom denied accomodations at hotels or any place else, no matter what his color. (This of course is confined to certain sections and has some notable exceptions.) In a town in Connecticut a few days ago a ministerial friend and I started to our room at a hotel. We heard the clerk refuse to accommodate a white man, who, although he flourished a roll of bills, did not possess the recommendation of clean linen. No first-class hotel would give room and a place at the table to unclean person, no matter how white. Let us look to this more closely, and a big lesson will have been learned. At a conference, not long ago, the splendid dinner served by the ladies was utterly spoiled for some of us because of the odor that hung about one of the women who waited on the table. Let us teach the people that frequent and thorough bathing is one of the actual essentials to respectability. No matter how learned, how wealthy, how high or how well dressed a person may be, unless he is pure and clean of body and undergarments, he is neither able to respect himself or to win the respect of others. Don't go to making excuses or trying to point out exceptions—there are none. Cleanliness is next to Godliness. In another article this truth will be more fully treated.

J. M. HENDERSON, M. D.,
New York City.

Items of Interest.

Meridian, Miss., Special.

Another bicycle race and picnic was given at the fair grounds last Monday. J. A. Buchanan was manager, and it was a grand success. Newman Taylor, who is employed in the Daily Herald office, says he would not be without a colored paper. The Freeman, American and Planet comes to his home. We need more such young men as Mr. Taylor. Fountain Cole, who has been from the city for some time, has returned, looking well. Miss Julia Watson, who has been visiting in Ohio, has returned, and reports a pleasant time. The mother's meeting was held on Sunday, June 28th at the A. M. E. church, lead by Mrs. L. S. Nelson and Dr. J. W. Holmes, subject, "Who shall our Girls Associate with." The meeting was largely attended. Quite a number of the "400" left June 29th to visit in New Orleans.

Sam Chatman has been very sick for some time. Prof. J. L. Williams is visiting at Yazoo. Misses Lizzie and Annie Dabney of Shubuta, are attending the Normal. They are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smith. J. W. Longstreet has returned from a pleasant trip to Ohio. W. M. Shoemake, who has been quite ill, is able to be at his store. Mrs. Tabitha Anderson, who died June 27th, was burried from New Hope Baptist church the 28th. She has been a member of this church twenty-four years, and was also a member of the Old People's Protective Society, which turned out in a body. Mrs. Susie Watson played "Asleep in Jesus." Rev. L. W. Watson officiated. She was buried at Masonic cemetery. Mrs. Annie Orr is recovering from a recent sickness. A few nights ago, the society people of Meridian were entertained at the residence of Mrs. P. L. Brownslow. The evening was pleasantly spent in singing and games. A splendid repast was served. Mrs. Emma Roberts, who has been very sick, is improving. A petition has been circulated by the Congregational church, asking Governor McLaurin to put his signature to a bill that was passed at the last legislature to estabish a school to reform boys instead of sending them to the penitentiary. It was presented to the church and at the Christian Endeavor Society June 28th. T. B. Henderson is recovering. Mrs. Hattie Clark is recovering. J. C. Hill, J. W. Smith, T. L. Wilson, Capt. A. J. Hyde and Josh Smith have returned from St. Louis. Miss Alice Snowton is attending the Normal. W. B. Burrell who has been sick for a month is recovering. Mrs. Annie Marsh has returned to her home at Mobile. Prof. E. H. Triplett left the 30th to take charge of his school at Rodney, the A. & M. College. Mrs. E. H. Triplett, Mrs. A. T. Stewart, accompanied by Prof. Triplett, father and sister, arrived in the city Sunday from Macon for a few day's visit. Rev. and Mrs. Jernagan have a very sick child. Messrs. Bud Chalmer and John Jenkins are in Shuqualak. Jesse Payne, a young carpenter has been working at Shubuta. John Alis has returned from Shubuta. Mrs. Celia Woodard's funeral was preached Sunday, June 28th at the Sam Jones Tabernacle by Rev. A. J. McNair, formerly pastor of Haven Chapel M. E. church. It was largely attended. Mrs. Woodard died three months ago. Mrs. M. E. Lewis and W. L. Driver left the 27th for Ramsey Station, Ala. Dr. J. M. May has built a nice five room cottage. Eugene Washington is getting up a nine to challenge any team in the state. Wm. Cochran left on the 26th for Clarksdale, to do carpenter work. Miss Mollie Pollard is some better. Willie Taylor is quite sick. Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis and L. J. Brown who have been in the city since June 8th left on the 28th for Jackson.

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A Family Visitor.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Dear Sir—I know not of a friend that will be missed more from our home than The Freeman; it is a constant visitor, always carying with it that magnetic power that happyfies the heart as we read of the rapid progress of the Negro. In the face of Supreme Court decisions favoring Jim Crow Car law. We have here a population of about 250 colored. I am glad to say that they are progressive people, many of them own nice homes, are generous and entertaining. We have three school teachers. Prof. Dan Cunningham and wife have held the school for the last five years. Mr. D. Simpson has been holding the country school We have two churches. Many of our people own good farms right around us. We raised in our rally the 28th inst., $51 on our church debt. Rev. W. H. Robinson, pastor Third M. C. church, Boonville, Ind.

Soul-Stirring Sermons.

Clarinda, Ia., Special.

The people of Clarinda are spiritually alive. The Second Baptist church enjoyed a good sermon, preached by Rev. C. H. Mendenhall the pastor. This was quarterly review. A sociable was given Monday evening at Second Baptist church. We are preparing for a grand celebaation August 4th. Rev. Mendenhall is making a host of friends in his new field. We wish him success. Mesdames Judy Brown, Gertie Brown and Mrs. Matthews are indisposed. Rev. Alexander's sermons Sunday were very instructive. Subject for morning sermon, "Repentance and Remission of sins should be Preached in His Name;" in the evening, "Greater Love Hath no Man than this." Regular official board meeting is called every other Monday night.

Mrs. H. C. Ayer of Richford, Vt. writes: "After having fever I was very much debilitated and had dyspepsia so bad I could scarcely eat anything. A little food caused bloting and burning in the stomach with pain and much soreness in my side and a great deal of headache. My physician seemed unable to help me and I continued in this condition until I took Dr. Kay's Renovator which completely cured me. Sold by druggists at 25c cts. and $1. Sold by H. C. Pomeroy, opposite postoffice, Indianapolis, Ind.

Death of Samuel Witherspoon.

Bloomington, Ill., Special.

James R. Samuels died at Douglass City, Okla., on Friday morning, June 19th, aged sixty-seven. He was born in Kentucky, and came to Illinois about thirty years ago and moved out west about six years ago. For many years he was employed as janitor by all the banks in the city at different times, and was always trustworthy and reliable. He was a member of the A. M. E. church, from which the funeral was held, Elder Sheen officiating.

Highly Entertained.

Red Fork, Ark., Special.

We have been highly entertained this week by a series of lectures from the well-known lecturer, Miss Ida J. Jackson. We bespeak for her a bright future, being that she is in possession of so much oratorical power. She will address us again on the 29th at Cornerstone. She is a Southern young lady, and knows the treatment of the Negro in the South, and tells it without fear.

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Notice!

The Indiana Annual Conference meets in Muncie, Ind., Aug. 26th. Clergyman and presiding elders who may have or will have persons seeking admission to conference will notify me at once. A failure to do this may be of considerable inconvenience. Address,

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CHAPTER XI.

UMPHAS continued his threat so much so that I, being at the age when young men are the boldest and most warlike, made up my mind to defend my folks at any cost. I went to a leading white gentleman whose name was Samuel Brown, for advice upon the subject. This man had formally been a magistrate, but was then (although a large slave holder) the pastor of a Baptist church. I asked him what he would do if a man threatened to burn his house and kill his folks, and was coming to put it into execution. Mr. Brown replied: "Why, Willis, I would shoot him at sight as quick as I would a running mad dog—you do the same if he comes." I said then I would, and if he came with fifty men, I would sell my life dearly, killing as many of them as I could before they killed me. I then went to our old friend Bartlette Ives and requested him to let me have two guns. He asked me what I wanted to do with them. I told him that I intended to kill Umphas if he came to burn our house. Mr. Ives then gave the guns saying that I was right to kill him and as many of the gang as I could. My friend Collins had by this time recovered from his fright, and being laughed at for his cowardice, he resolved to fight, so I kept one gun and gave Collins the other, and we kept guard every night for a week.

We were on guard one night in a clump of bushes when about 1 o'clock we heard foot steps coming up the lane. I thought it was Umphas and cocked my gun and placed it in a position in the fence and waited. Just as I was going to shoot, Collins cried out, "Don't shoot, it's Owen." In another minute I would have shot him. This man Owen was a slave, belonging to Rev. Brown, the Baptist minister. My father had hired his wife to cook and she lived by herself in the cook-house, and Owen was going to see her. When I saw how near I came killing an innocent man for Umphas, I said that I would watch no more. I fired off the guns and went into the house. The next morning our neighbors came to learn the cause of the shooting, and were told. Umphas must have heard it too, and took the hint, for he never paid us another visit.

At last the day of the trial came and Umphas got a white man by the name of Bill Blunt to sware that brother James did owe him (Umphas) and that he heard father promise to pay the debt. Father's witnesses were all respectable people of color, but the court would not take their evidence against a white man, so to the surprise of all, the case went against father with the heavy expenses of the court, making quite a sum (the exact amount I have forgotten.) He was obliged to sell many things far below their value in order to meet this unjust judgment. The law suit disheartened father, and as a great many of his older children had already left Virginia and gone to New York, he concluded to sell out and move there also, and pass the rest of his days in a state where he could get justice done him, and could give his children an education. The six oldest were then in New York, and father determined to take all younger than myself there and put them in school, and the same time look around for a farm and should he find one he liked, to try to purchase it. He accordingly got ready and took mother and all the younger children to New York. I remained home and took care of the farm until his return. Before he left for New York, he sold a lot of pine timber to a gentleman by the name of Hogwood. This man had about thirty slaves that worked for him, and he hired our kitchen to sleep and cook in. He also had an overseer by the name of John Hamburg, and two assistants. They were all white men. One night one of the bond men by the name of James Hopkins came to me and asked if my father was at home. I told him he was not. He then asked who was boss. I told him I was until my father returned from New York. He then asked if I would permit them to hold prayers in the dwelling house that evening. I told him that he could do so. He called in the rest of the thirty men, I gave them all seats, and old man Hopkins, who appeared to be the leader, opened by singing pieces of several hymns to one tune, and then led off in prayer. He seemed to be in favor of the "largest liberty," as he manifested no inclination to bring his prayer to a close, but at last he did. Without rising from their kneeling position, they followed him, one after another, until the whole thirty, in the well known happy Methodist style, had all prayed. Our dogs began to bark, which set the other dogs in the neighborhood to barking also. The men began to sing and shout and the dogs to bark louder. The noise from without and the noise from within was kept up until midnight. This was, it is to be remembered, after "Nat Turner's War," when the people of color were not permitted to hold meetings by themselves, and being alone on the farm with the full care upon me, I confess I was frightened almost out of our wits. I several times thought I heard the "patrollers" coming on horse back. Having no guns (as I had taken those of Mr. Ives home), I was at a loss what to do. I did not know how the three white men, who were cursing and swearing because they could not sleep, would act in case the patrollers came, as they might join them. It would then be hard, without arms, to fight against foes without and foes within. At last my agony was over, as old man Hopking with an extra long prayer closed the meeting for the night. He came back the next night requesting me to let them hold a second meeting, but I said "no," thinking they had offered enough prayer to last them and the house until father's return.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Wanted—A Fresh Air Guild.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

There are in every large city some indigent Afro-Americans who have a very hard struggle for existence, and whose children are, by cruel necessity, forced to roam the streets entirely devoid of proper care and training. As their pitiable condition meet our gaze, we involuntarily sigh and wish we could do something to alleviate their sufferings, but beyond our feeble sighing, close observation reveals the fact that we do absolutely nothing. At this season when old Sol so bounteously sheds his beams over fields and dales, it seems a very appropriate time for charitable disposed persons to form a Fresh Air Guild, and gather up these helpless waifs—and those children whose parents cannot give their dear ones the necessary outing so essential to their health—and take them on a pleasant trip to the country, or a sail down some placid stream. An action of this kind would go a great deal further toward ameliorating and uplifting the masses than pages of bombastic tirades against Supreme Court decisions and political disfranchisement. The real charity side of our nature seems to be dormant, while there are plenty of ready-made heathens lying at our own door for good Samaritans to practice on without sending our alms to foreign shores. Our poor need protection—protection that will prohibit their offsprings from becoming physical wrecks in after life—protection that will inculcate into the little minds a higher conception of womanhood and manhood—a protection that will snatch them from the contaminating influences of evil surroundings. Therefore, let our noble women bestir themselves and establish a Fresh Air Guild in every city of prominence in Union.
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Sheffield, Ala., Special.

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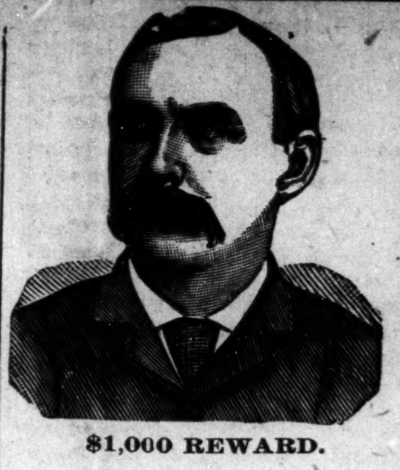

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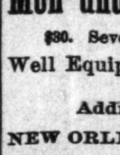

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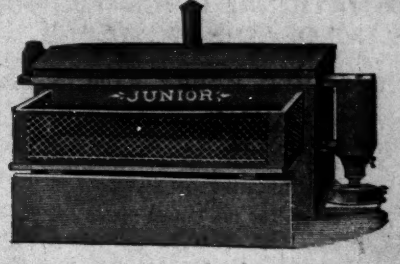

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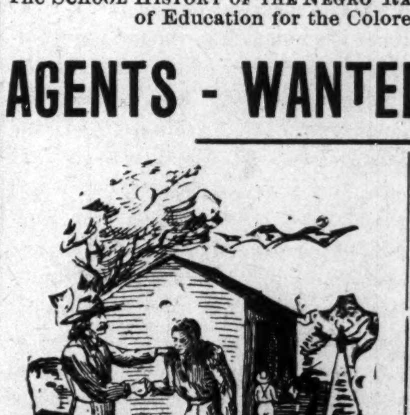

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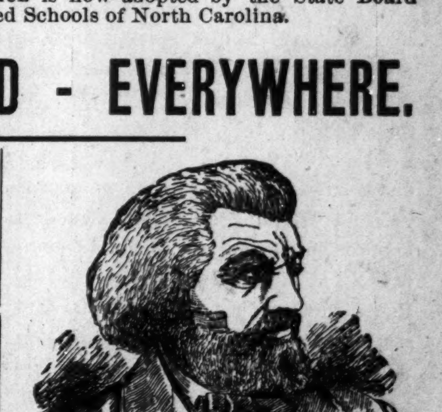

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THE DEMOCRATIC MELANGE.

The Democratic convention on in Chicago at this writing, is certainly the most discordant mass of humanity ever assembled. It was thought that the St. Louis convention was noted for its babel, but Chicago's hocus-pocus has set the pace for all time to come—nothing but uncertainty and bewilderment of the most painful kind. A convention of such unreconcilable differences could not long endure, or its participants would all land in bedlam. The fact is, that the Populislic element is in control and its sentiments pervades everything. The Tillmans and Altgelds with their anarchistic flavor, are tincturing the whole affair. The pen picture of Tillman with dishevelled hair in dirty attire, semi-dishibille, legs encased in "hoss" hide boots, coat and vest dumped in the corner of a disordered room, while he lay stretched out in bed receiving the hungry hordes, may be but a little pleasantry at that gentleman's expense, but it is rather suspected that he has not been libeled. What will chivalrous old South Carolina do with her elephant? It is a convention that rides rough shod over good men—respectable Democrats. Whitney, at this writing, it seems, should have went on to Europe. Cleveland need not to have remarked that he would not vote the Republican ticket although his brother was on it. "I am a Democrat," David Bennett Hill, who like Poe's Raven, "its only stock and store," needs coin a new expression with a silver lining before he can be even a temporary chairman. Bynum, the erstwhile hope of the Indiana Democracy, has been treated like his late state convention—relegated to the rear. Our Frenzel of mighty girth on his native heath, known for his money getting proclivities, but a staunch gold man withal, has been unmercifully sat upon on account of his said "pernicuous" views. In short, to be a gold Democrat at this time is paramount to taking one's life in his own hands. When Bland can go into the convention with such a following, over topping such men as Mathews and Boise, times are unpropitious for Democrats. It is very certain that authors of civil government text books must again make lines of divergence for the Democratic party. A bolt seems inevitable, if it serves only as a reminder of a principle. There are Democrats who will not be corralled by the fanatical hordes of free silverites, or led by priests of anarchy. The convention at Chicago is rushing towards free silver at a frightful gait. Free silver will be its nemesis.

THE murder of Omer Thomas in prison by Jones, a fellow convict, shows the depravity a human heart is capable of attaining. All such characters as Jones should meet speedy justice. The knowledge of his living from this time on until bis death is a menace to society. To those that think this enigmatical must know that those of similar character will see in his acts a bravado. As it is such a character certainly quickly appeals to the heroic side as well as the vicious. A threat made and executed under such circumstances, is infectious in influence, exciting the admiration often whether one wills or not. No time should be lost in giving him the benefit of the yard arms.

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A CAMPAIGN OF EDUCATION.

The signs of the times point to the fact that the campaign that is on must be one of education truly. It is evident that at the present time, the free silver craze is rampant. Much work must be done to head off the pernicuous theory, that, because silver is a cheap money, it has double purchasing power. The 430,000,000 of silver is alright now because a gold dollar stands in loco parentis, but if mine owners are allowed to dump their wares without reserve for coinage in the mints of the country, it would soon be evident that it would seek its bullion value in the marks of the world. The free coinage of gold does not carry such conclusions. Gold is at its market value—at par—100 cents per dollar, coined or uncoined. Money like the latter is bed rock. It needs no government fiat to support it. Mexico affords a beautiful object lesson touching on this point. There, their 53 cent dollars are coined. They are not cared for, backed up by a gold dollar, consequently a Mexican dollar has but to cross the Rio Grande and it loses nearly 50 per cent. of its calculated value, but takes on at once its proper intrinsic value or the market price for silver bullion. It would seem needless to cite further cases. But the masses who are contending for silver, are not, as the rule, the reader and thinkers. A campaign of education in the truest sense is on. If so, the controversy concerning these mediums of exchange should not long harras the home government, nor be the means of impairing the nation's credit abroad. Bonds are not marketable except in gold, nor railroad securities, nor other investments so necessary to the developing of the country's interest. Silver can do none of these things except it be taken at its bullion value. Bullion value means that this country pay $2 for every $1 received, or thereabouts. The conclusion seems axiomatic, but in the face of all the demonstrations of bankers, theories of business men, there is an alarming rush to pay homage to the god of silver. It is not the gold standard that has depleted the gold reserve at Washington. If the foreign creditors would take silver at par, the renewed issuing of bonds would have been uncalled for. Republicans reared outside of the silver camp and sensible Democrats will perserve the country at the risk of sacrificing their party ties. The Democrats have at no time been conceded safe with the governmental reins. The truth of the assertion is being made manifest daily. A party of vast mistakes and monumental blunders has marked its movements. Age lends it no wisdom. All the errors of one hundred years are piled up against it. It thrives on those things which threaten to disrupt, bankrupt or to demoralize. The g. o. p. is the deck, all others are the sea, says the Sage of Anacostia, the lamented Douglass.

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HARRIET BEECHER-STOWE.

The world learns with the deepest regret the demise of Harriet Beecher-Stowe. In her the Negroes lose a champion that nearly realized the old saying, that the pen is mightier than the sword. Her "Uncle Tom's Cabin," a book that fairly rivals the bible in popularity, was the largest instrument beyond the actual weapons of warfare, that fixed the death seal on the hated institution of slavery. Millions of copies of this famous book, told its pathetic tale of woe and misery in a score of tongues. A most interesting niche was made in the arch of human affairs long before Mrs. Stowe conceived the idea of writing her memorable work of fiction. She was the woman of the hour and her work was the Keystone that sat well in the existing circumstances. It fitted the times. It was such a powerful exponent of the anti-slavery crusade that a mental revolution was immediately created in the minds of men—wherever the faintest glimmer of civilization was manifest. Oratory, the philipics of Garrison, Philips or Sumner for once lost its potency in contrast to the deep, silent, immobile pages of "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Her life, rounded to a full period, has been blessed in witnessing what her immortal pen did so much to bring about—the freedom of the black man. It can not be said that Mrs. Stowe rested in undisturbed complacency after her most famous production. On the contray, she was vilified, abused and persecuted. It was insisted that she magnified the evils of the late curse. She was put to the pains of proving that her work was true to life and that "the half had never been told." She contributed many other works to the literary world, but her fame must rest upon the masterpiece of the world for its kind, "Uncle Tom's Cabin." While her other books are written in a happy readable vein, it is due more to the time and occasion that builds the fame of the one so high above the others. Not that merely, however, for the story is told as it could be told but once. It was told by her, imbued with such religious fervour, deep piety, and faithful portrayed, that it can never be told again. All other attempts will seem piracies, plagiarisms or infringements. The world concedes but one "Uncle Tom's Cabin," and Harriet Beecher-Stowe is its author.

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BISHOP TAYLOR, OF AFRICA.

Bishop William Taylor, who has become famous as the M. E. church bishop to Africa, and who was voted non-effective at the last General Conference, will go to Africa again despite the stranding by the conference. It is touching in the extreme to note the determination of this grim visaged worrior, inflicted with the infirmities of 70 years, still carrying the gospel banner of peace in the core of savagery itself. Erratic as he may be, he should have died with the full regalia of his office in place, intact. Few and far between are they who will take their lives in their own hands for even so great a Captain as they serve. The world cannot say amen to the displacement of Taylor. His devotion to the calling, time has proven is not founded on vanity nor fame that often attach to such ventures. The world venerates Bishop Taylor although snatched and torn. Denied of church paraphernalia, he stands yet nature priest, greater than them all in the eye of Him who notes the falling of even a sparrow.

A RAPIST DISCHARGED.

"George D. McDonell, charged with rape upon a colored girl between the age of 11 and 13 years, was discharged by Justice Young recently, the utmost vigilance of the constabulary having failed to uncover the abscounding witnesses. Duputy District Attorney McComas urged a continuance, and declared that he had every reason to believe that the witnesses had received $400 for their disappearance. Davis & Rush, attorneys for the defendant, refused to make any motion in the case, and said they would leave the matter in the hands of the court. Justice Young dismissed the charge upon his own motion."—Los Angeles Searchlight.

It is needless to say that McDonell is a white man. The color of one's skin cuts largely sometimes. Just how long these farcial proceedings will continue is not in the province of any man to say. South Carolina and California are a unit in some things.

"A dispatch to the World from Havana says: Gen. Bradley T. Johnson, commencing on the news of the death of Harriet Bsecher-Stowe, said: 'I am glad of it. Although there was some truth in what she wrote, there was much that was false. For instance, while it is true that there were isolated cases of ill treatment of slaves, it is not true that such treatment was general throughout the South.'"

As we have said elsewhere, Mrs. Stowe was not blessed with that peace of mind that should attend one who is conscious of a great work well done. Death does not secure her against the maligning tongue of the traducer, or the ruthless invader of the sacred precincts of the grave. God knew what he was about when he permitted her to live so long, for had she died sooner, it would have been considered retributive justice by such nondescripts as quoted above.

THE penchant for lynching Negroes is far too prevalent. The Maryland episode shows conclusively that the Negroes are "getting together" in the matter. Lives of any class taken with impunity cheapens the class, and renders their ascension of the scale of civilization nugatory. No race needs expect to amount to a tinker's —— as long as they are maltreated on the score of racial lines. The Negroes must think.

CUNEY, of Texas, it is admitted by his enemies, has made a most excellent defense of his position at the St. Louis convention. He claims that the very creatures he had raised to influence and position were the instruments in undoing him. He is said to have acquitted himself with credit before the committee. His utterances were dramatic. It is said that such a man can not be "sat on."

THE Iowa State Bystander, a well known Negro journal, has changed hands, Charles S. and Thaddeus Ruff retiring. John L. Thompson, said to be a young man of energy and push, is is the new editor.

SOME one has intimated that the Negro is counting less in politics as time rolls on. The assertion seems well founded.

AT the rate the Democrats at Chicago are going, the election of McKinley is virtually conceded.

Christian Endeavor Meeting.

San Antonio, Tex., Special.

The glorious fourth was celebrated by both the Anglo and Afro-Americans alike in the Alamo city. Among the orators on the Anglo-American program were the Hon. R. W. Stayton, Judge Winchester, Kelso and Mr. Antonio De Flores; and of those on the Afro-American program were Rev. D. S. Moton, B. D., Rev. B. W. Roberts, D. D., Dr. J. F. Walton and E. P. Thompson and others. Mrs. M. D. Brown. leader of the Busy Bee Club, a department of the Ladies Aid of St. James A. M. E. church, gave a unique and successful entertainment at her residence on Nolan street Thursday evening July 2nd, for the benefit of the church. Mrs. M. D. Brown is known as a successful worker. The financial realization of this effort is an obvious exponent of the same. Prof. J. G. Hunt, master of ceremonies filled his place on this occasion with the same well known competency and eruditeness as in both church and societies, especially as in the Bethel A. M. E. church Christian Endeavor of which he is an acceptable member and active committeeman. Misses Roberts and Words rendered a pleasing instrumental duet, Miss Blanche Wade, San Antonio's prima drama was enthusiastically applauded in her several renditions

The first Sunday in July was an axomatic red letter day at the Bethel A. M. E. church from the Alpha to the Omega of the day. The Sunday school exercises conducted by the well prepared superintendents and teachers were both intellectual and patriotic. A supplemental exercise relative to national patriotism was duly carried out. Rev. D. S. Moten, B. D., pastor of Bethel, preached from the Theme; "Love Your Enemy." The sermon was truly profound and logical. The Christian Endeavor exercises were begun at 5 p. m., instead of 6 p. m., its regular hour. This is to say the least was a red letter day in Christian Endeavor work in the Alamo City in general and, in Bethel particular. The meeting was led by Dr. J. B. Walton, a young man of promise and utility to the race variety to which he belongs. The service was one of patriotism. The topics "What we Owe our Country," "Why we Owe, What we Owe?" Speeches were made by the following ex-soldiers F. J. Dilwood, Major Jacob Lyons, John A. Howard, Johnson and J. H. Martin. They were well delivered and well received. Mrs. Rachel Graham, the evangelist, of New York City was in our midst. She gave a practical talk of much worth to the Christian Endeavor Society. Rev. Moton addressed the society giving an epitome of the salient points of the recent State Convention of the Christian Endeavors of Texas. The points were well emphasized relative to the good citizenship committee, as this committee was prominently on specific duty on this occasion of the society. Other points were mentioned and expatiated upon obviously. Mrs. Rachel Graham delivered an acceptable discourse to the Bethel Congregation at 8 p. m. The concluding exercises of the red letter day at Bethel A. M. E. church. Business meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society was held last Tuesday at 6 p. m., at Bethel A. M. E. church for the purpose of electing officers for the second half C. E. year commencing July 1st and ending December 31, 1896. The election resulted as follows:

Buena Vista Caruthers, president; R. A. Bee, first vice president; Alexia E. Payne, second vice president; Bessie B Sublett, corresponding secretary; Hattie E. Alexander, recording secretary; Adelphia Dowery, assistant secretary; Dora Lewis, treasurer; Carrie J. Bell, librarian; Clara James, assistant librarian; Hattie Word, organist; Avalonia Ellis, assistant organist. Several committees were re-appointed and the list of various committees will be prepared for publication soon. The membership is nearly 200 and the good work goes on.

FUNERAL OF MRS. STOWE.

Only Relatives and Close Friends Present at the Exercises.

Hartford, Conn., Special.

With all the beauty of the full Episcopal ritual, the funeral services over the body of Harriet Beecher-Stowe were solemnized at her late home on the afternoon of the 2d inst. In accordance with the oft expressed wishes of Mrs. Stowe, everything in connection with the funeral was devoid of ostentation, and instead of the customary crepe at the door, there was a wreath of

HARRIET BEECHER-STOWE.

white flowers on an ivy back-ground. Only relatives and close friends of the distinguished authoress were present. Previous to the services the public were allowed to view the remains, a large number of colored people being among them. Burial services were held on the the afternoon of the 3d, inst., at Andover, Mass., seminary, and the burial was on the grounds of Phillips' academy, where her husband and son are buried.

Instructions to the "Boys Who Vote."

Palestine, Tex., Special.

B. J. Knox and Della Mosely were delegates to the Sunday school convention which convened at Hearne on the 9th, inst. Children's day was very appropriately observed at the two A. M. E. churches. Mt. Vernon reported $3.50 and Grant Chapel $4. Times are hard and more men are idle in this little city than there has been for many years. M. J. Dudley, Master of Lone Star Lodge No. 9, has returned from the Grand Lodge, and reports the craft in the very best condition. The boys who vote must not forget that this has been one of the most successful administrations this country has had. During the time the colored teachers have come in order as to the paying of your vouchers, and not according to your color or did you have to wait to see if you could sell to one of the gang? Do not forget that Judge Burnet, district judge, is a man of high moral character, and a man having the courage of his convictions. Tall about the good things he has done all over the district. Monday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Monday, from 2 to 5 a birthday party, in honor of her daughter, Clara's fourteenth birthday. The time was spent merrily by those present. Prof. S. A. D. McClellan is expected to leave Tyler soon. J. S. Morton opened his summer term in Houston county. Rev. J. G. Grimes has gone to Huntsville to assist in a revival. The residence of Mrs. Mary Moore was burned late Wednesday night. But few things were saved. K. of P. lodge had an accession at its last regular meeting. Castle hall is in full bloom. Rev. W. V. B. Carmichael of Oakwood's circuit has resigned his work and will enter evangelistic work. Grand rally at C. M. E. church beginning Monday night July 13.

Douglass Monument Fund.

Douglass Souvenir Spoon, artistically designed, depicts scenes from his birth to his death, almost a biography, together with a handsome bust of the dead leader, or an 8x10 inch Photo graph of the late Frederick Douglass, will be sent to any one who will send One Dollar or more to the Douglass Monument Committee, P. O. Box 493, Rochester, New York.

CLIPPINGS HERE & THERE.

Cuney is not made of the kind of material that will stay down. He will be Cuney again.—Ft. Worth (Tex.) Item.

Talk about Armenian butcheries, the christian world should turn its attention to British butcheries in Africa. The New York Mail and Express should blush to publish an English letter calling attention to these butcheries, but scoring the honest British men and women who have denounced mob and lynch law in the United States.—New York Age.

Mrs. Harriet Beecher-Stowe, the authoress of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," died at her home at Hartford, Conn., Wednesday, July 1st. Mrs. Stowe did more to abolish slavery than any other human being. Her book, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," created a sentiment against slavery that nothing but its final overthrow could satisfy.—Huntsvill Journal.

A man who cannot morally lead himself, how can he lead the people and instruct them in morality? And yet there are many moral leopards in the pulpit. An immoral person is not a christian, then how can such a one give spiritual advice to those seeking salvation?—Oskaloosa Gazette.

The Nation Baptist Convention includes all the colored Baptist church organizations in the United States, except the New England convention and the Woman's Baptist Home and Foreign Mission convention. The latter will join the national body at the meeting in September, and it is hoped the former will do so at the first opportunity.—Christian Banner.

After nearly thirty-five years of what some people are pleased to call "civilization," the colored people have just succeeded in getting a colored teacher employed in the mixed schools of New York City. New York Negroes are now preparing to have a torchlight parade, in which the teacher will be exhibited in a carriage, after which she will be tendered a "grand reception."—Leavenworth Herald.

The bitterness of race prejudice led to murder recently out in Oklahoma, in a quarrel over the admission of colored children into the white school, ten miles east of Guthrie, J. H. Swain, colored school teacher, was shot and killed by W. H. Arnold, a white school director. Arnold gave himself up. He claims self-defense, and shows several knife cuts said to have been inflicted by Swain. The colored people are determined to prosecute Arnold to the full extent of the law.—Chicago Conservator.

Bursting of a Water Spout.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

Rev. James H. Turner has returned from Columbia well pleased with the exercises. He said the school is growing. We are proud to note the fact. Rev. Mrs. F. A. Turner is a great worker. The school district will have a centennial meeting at the conference. The A. M. E. Annual Conference will be held in our city this year. We would be pleased to have the gentlemen of The Freeman with us on that occasion. The city public school will begin on the 6th. Many of the teachers are leaving for their schools. Prof. T. T. Ransom, W. A. Thompson, W. A. Allen, R. P. Purdy and Mrs. B. J. Burkeen made a little trip through the adjoining towns last week. Mrs. Frank Patterson, M. Bloodson and A. Thompson gave a grand ball at Gosling's hall on the 4th. Miss Carrie Sanders, of New York, is at home. Many of our people spent the Fourth out of the city. Many strangers are in the city. A water spout bursted in the city last week. Alex. Peacock, of Farmington, is in the city, Prof. B. A. J. Nixon left for his work on the 3rd. Mrs. I. C. Johnson is some better. Mrs. A. R. Winter spent a few days in Nashville. Miss Mary Burt and Mrs. Smithia Bawma was in the city last week. Rev. J. H. Richman has a rally at the A. M. E. chdrch. Get The Freeman at W. H. Gosling's store.

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have his faults, indeed he has plenty of them, but he also has his pre-eminent virtues, and moral courage is one of them.

Bishop Embry is also determined that the Preston matter shall be looked into. Bishop Armstrong has the key, if he and his men will be able to do what Rev. Mr. Johnson claims then there will be some grounds for action. Rev. C. W. Preston has been closely associated with Bishop Armstrong for the past four years Now the cat is out of the bag and there can be no dodging it is a question of stand square or straddle and the whole church is looking on. If Preston is tried, then let Ridgel be tried by an impartial judge on whom he has no hold. Let right triumph if giants fall.

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Quarterly Conference.

Brenham, Tex., Special.

Quarterly conference convened last Saturday and Sunday with Rev. P. M. Carmichael, P. E. in the chair at St. John's Chapel A. M. E. church. After due investigation we find the moral, financial and spiritual condition of this church good. Sunday all day was jubilee, while the presiding elder distributed spiritual food to those in waiting. As a pulpit orator he has few equals. Mrs. Prof. Bledsoe has taken leave of the city for a trip via. New York and Denver, Col. S. C. McCoy has returned home from St. Louis. A good many people speak of subscribing for The Freeman as soon as a little circulating medium gets in sight. Some of the best families, white and colored. takes The Freeman in this city. The I. S. and D. of C. is an assured fact. We have organized with the following members: Rev. P. M. Cormichael, Messrs. Cornelius Williams, Henry Taylor. Rev. C. H. Bell, F. F. Ferguson, A. E. Flewellen, Green Hill, Prince Deaver, Phillip Boulden, J. H. Porter, M. D., R. L. Stringfellow, G. P. Isaacs. The name is Excelsior No. 122. The people of the Lone Star state are anxiously awaiting to see S. G. M. M., A M Hodges.

The Poplar Bluff Notes.

Poplar Bluff, Mo. Special.

M. Whiteside was arrested on the 26th ult for shooting at a cook, employed at the Union hotel on Fourth street. He was at first put in the calaboose, and afterwards was caught and placed in jail. Miss Sarah Phillips died on the 27th ult. The funeral services were held at Brown's Chapel A. M. E. church on the 28th. The club entitled, "Seven Wonders," gave a grand entertainment at the Odd Fellow hall on the 27th and 29th. Mrs. Mary Crane was fined $8 on the 1st for maltreatment of A. Williams. Mrs. Hattie Hall and Nettie Nance returned from Charleston, Mo. on the 2d, where they had been attending the institute.

Church and Personal Mention.

Wynne, Ark., Special.

We are having some nice showers, which will make cotton and corn yield abundantly. Children's day with the Baptist people was observed with great sincerity at the First Baptist church. The genial superintendent, Roddie Jackson, spared no pains to make this occassion a success, which it was. Their renditions told that the little ones were well up to their tactics. They are artists that we feel proud of. Among the little folks were Miss Ella Thompson's recitation, "What Children can do," which was very fine; Millie Lipscomb, "If I Knew;" Ezetereck Springs, "If I was a Man;" Blake Thomas, "Little Head and how it Grew;" Lena Cole, "Own Your Race." Among the elder ones were some very prominent essays and orations. Misses Ida McGill's and Ada Byrum's essay, "Education of the Negro," was the most enteresting composition of the evening. Elma Lee's essay, subject "How our Children are being trained," was full of logic and love. Miss Lillie Lovelace, the accomplished elocutionist, in her essay, subject "I am Satisfied with my Nationality," was more than excellent. Miss Eva Lipscomb, a charming young lady, came forward with an essay, "What a Negro can do," she was loudly applauded. Master Perry Sappho's oration, "What about our own faults?" was taken as a jewel. The exercises closed with a historical address by the pastor, Rt. Rev. W. F. Lovelace; he described the Baptist church and its several educational institutions and missionary societies that has done so much for the race.

The protracted meeting conducted by Rev. Isaac P. Freeman at the Second Baptist church met with great success. His evangelizing is something wonderful. His sermons are powerful and were highly complimented by all who were present. People came from far and near to hear this wonderful man of God. His hymns, as he samg them, were melodious and pathetic and won considerable comment. Rev. J. C. Miland, of Wittsburg, had a grand festival last week and the net proceeds for the benefit of the church amounted to $16. He is an able minister and is very much beloved by his little flock. The Young Woman's Christian Association met last Tuesday night with Miss Ida McGill president and Miss Ada Byrom secretary. They are earnest workers for the cause of Christ. The base ball nine is getting along nicely. They expect to play some fine games this season. James Graham, their captain, has a standing challenge for any club within sixty miles of this place to play for championship and honors for the race. Granville Jones and Miss Sophia Jones were married last Friday night. The Masons had their regular installation last Monday night. They had a grand time and it was enjoyed by all who attended.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

Phantasma Club and Pink Rose Club Picnic—Personal Notes.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

The Young Men's Republican club will resume their meetings Monday evening by special advice of the executive committee of the Y. M. R. C. The meeting will be held in the U. B. F. hall, and all persons concerned are most cordially invited. As usual, the 4th of July was spent by quite a number of young ladies and gents in form of clubs, etc., out in the woods. A general good time was had until near the time to return home the pleasure of each was marred by the heavy rain. Some of the young ladies who were in attendance at the Antithean club picnic ten miles from the city Saturday, are somewhat ill since having been caught in the rain. The popular club of young ladies known as the East Lynn social, of which Miss Mamie Crutchfield is president, gave a very enjoyable outing at Howard's Creek the 4th. Quite an enjoyable reception was tendered some visiting young ladies from Cane Springs, Ky., by Miss Alice Howard at her residence Friday evening. Invitations are out announcing the annual picnic of the popular Pink Rose club, in Louisville Southern park Monday, June 27th. A grand a noble affair that usually characterizes their entertainments and outings is again assured. The famous Phantasma club will give their annual picnic in Sugar Grove the 21st. inst. The Kenmore club, the favorites of the east end, will give their annual outing up the river the 27th, inst., on the steamer Columbia. Pursuant to the regular meeting of the school board last month, a call meeting was held the 30th, ult., at which time the grievance committee of the board offered its report in the famous Peyton-Goodall scandal. The committee reported that while they believed that Prof. Peyton was guilty of the charges preferred, he lacked conviction according to the evidence submitted, and as a result. decided that he be exhonorated. The report brought about general condemnation from the citizens as a whole, and many threats have been presented in case the board does not act according to public opinion. Monday night being the regular meeting night of the school board and the time for the selection of teachers, brought out a motley throng of interested citizens to witness the board's motives in the moralities of our schools. Because of the differences of opinion as to the salaries of principals and teachers, no agreement could be reached, and as the appointments of teachers centered on the salaries, no appointwere made and will not be until Tuesday. It has developed that from a personal interview by a popular minister of the east end, with each of the trustees, that the majority favored the removal of Prof. Peyton from the Eastern school and that Prof. Mayzeek would succeed him, and that Prof. J. M. Maxwell would be placed at the head of the Central High school again. It will be remembered that Prof. Maxwell was principal of the High school from the beginning up until three years age. We predict that if these changes are made, the board will at once satisfy the people as a whole and make themselves popular accordingly. The friends of Rev. John H. Frank, of the Fifth Street church, are trying to have him announce himself as a school trustee at the coming election. The Fifth Street Sunday school and State University choir gave a very successsul picnic at Fern Grove Monday. The picnic to be given by Prof. J. T. Gillard's dancing class Wednesday, in Sugar Grove, promises to be quite a swell affair.

Jackson, Tenn. Dots.

Jackson, Tenn., Special.

The festival given at St. Paul C. M. E. church last Monday night was quite a success. Prof. R. W. Christian, of Mayfield, Ky., is in the city and preached an excellent sermon at Liberty church on the 28th ult. He also gave a lecture on "Free Silver" at the Court House on the 3d inst. Mrs. Dr. C. H. Phillips and family are in Nashville. Mrs. Phillips has been ill for a few weeks, and has gone there to seek medical treatment and rest. Prof. A. R. Merry and infant daughter left on the 4th for Chicago, Detroit, Niagara Falls, Buffalo and Toronto, Canada. They will be gone two or three weeks, and we hope them a most pleasant trip. Miss Corda Rolling, of Milan, was in the city on last Saturday. She is the very picture of health, and is a very fine young lady. The G. U. O. O. F. had their annual celebration in this city at the fair grounds last Saturday and it was a grand affair. They had a game of ball between Jackson I. C.'s and Brownville Hunts. Score at the close I. C. 16; Hunts, 12. A purse of $10 was put up by the order for the side that won. The Hunts have been carrying the banner but the I. C.'s kept it at home this time. We had also a five mile bicycle race between Messrs. Anderson, Lowe, Moore and Harris. The race was won by Milton Anderson with Collins Lowe as second. A grand concert was given at Berean Baptist church on the 2d inst., which was a success. The musical concert was given at Liberty church on the 3d inst. by the choir was not a success. The programme was fine and was well rendered but the audience was composed of but few. We had excellent solos rendered by Miss Martin, graduate of the Conservatory of music, Boston. She is expecting to be in our city a month or more, and teach her profession. We wish her much success. We had quite a big rain here on the morning of the 4th which was very disagreeable to the G. U. O. O. F. entertainment at hight.

THE CORINTHIAN BAPTIST.

THIS BEAUTIFUL CHURCH EDIFICE RE-OPENED LAST SUNDAY.

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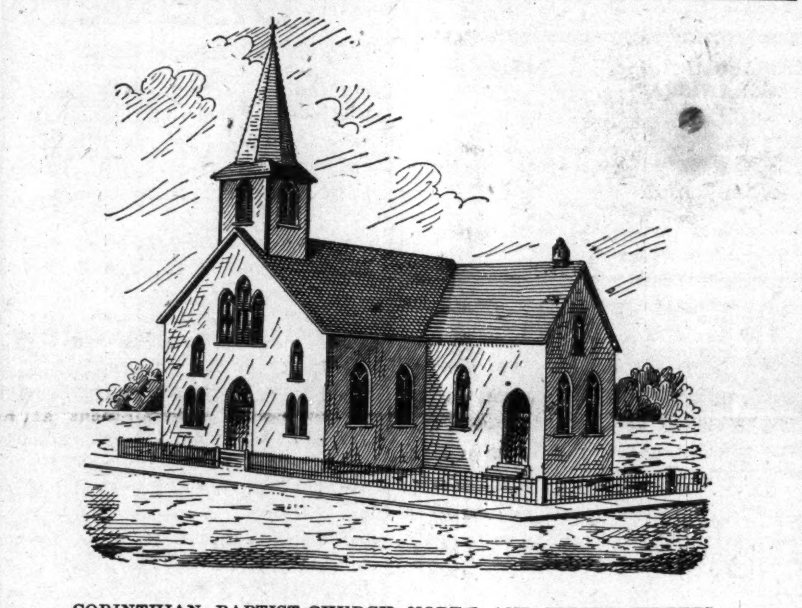
On Sept. 3, 1881, Corinthian Baptist church, just organized, held its first religious service at Masonic Temple. Three months after organizing, a contract was made for their present location, corner North and Spring streets, for $3,700. It is a valuable piece of property, being estimated at nothing less than $10,000. This church is not blessed with a very large membership, but what it lacks in quantity is more than made up in quality.

Various changes have been made in the pulpit of this church, notwithstanding her infancy, among whom might be mentioned Rev. P. Vertrees, of Tennessee, Rev. Bassett of Indiana, Rev. P. H. Kennedy of Kentucky, and Rev. E. B. Martin of Tennessee, who was succeeded by Rev. H. H. Harris of Virginia, the present pastor. Rev. Martin pastored the church six years, during which time $3,000 was raised, and at the expiration of his service in 1895, the church was free from debt.

In October 1895, a call was extended to Rev. H. H. Harris, who was then pastoring a church at Cincinnati, O. Since he has been in our midst, he has endeared himself to both church and citizens. His sermons are characteristic of himself, yet might be favorably compared with those of Talmadge. Through his untiring efforts, the church is in peace and harmony, with a large increase of membership. He has organized several church societies, all of which are flourishing.

Rev. Harris, besides being a wide-awake, progressive man, is also a lover of the things beautiful as all will see who visits the church. Two months ago, he with the members, made preparations to make the repairs, for the time being holding services at the court house. Last Sunday, the church was formally re-opened with impressive services, the church being well filled.



CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH, NORTH AND SPRING STREETS.

Upon entering the church, the first thing that meets the eye, is the memorial window, presented by the King's Daughters of Corinthian Baptist church. This window is artistically designed, having in the centre "In His Name." The pulpit has been enlarged, and underneath is the baptismal fount. Opening on the pulpit from either side, are two small rooms — one the pastor's study, the other a toilet room. The floor of the church is covered with an elegant, durable carpet of a late design. New oak seats and new chairs for the choir, and a new oak desk and chairs in the Sunday school department combine handsomely with the two shades of blue which decorates the walls and ceilings. The wood work was also retouched by the painter's brush. The gallery has been refitted, a well added and side fence made. From an artistic standpoint, Corinthian Baptist church has much to be proud of—nothing to regret.

The Aid Society gave its first entertainment at the church last Tuesday night. The program was well carried out, but rather lengthy. A free lunch was served on the lawn. A large number were in attendance.

To-morrow, Rev. Hall of Rhode Island, will conduct services, both morning and evening.

The King's Daughters will picnic at Blue River Park Tuesday.

At the rally last Sunday $100.50 was raised.

U. B. F. Lodge.

Cincinnati, O. Special.

There is a move on foot with the ministers of our city to come together at least once a month, and have what is known as a ministers' union meeting. We are sorry to say the ministers of our great city have not met in a body as yet, and we hope this move will meet with success. Rising Star Lodge U. B. F. will meet Monday night. R. E. Frazier, W. M. of said lodge, is a delegate to the National Encampment which convenes at St. Louis July 22d. Dr. F. W. Johnson was in Ripley, O. Saturday and Sunday to visit his parents. Rev. W. T. Hall preached at Zion Sunday morning and at night Corinthian Baptist Indianapolis. The State Grand Lodge U. B. F. will convene at Dayton, O. on July 28, 29 and 30. A full delegation from this point will attend. There will be an excursion on the 30th, $1.50 round trip. Mrs. Stark and her youngest daughter left for New York City last week. Read the Freeman from the first page through you will know what the race is doing. The persons reported on the sick list are Mrs. D. Thomas, Mrs. O. Payne, Miss Annie Morrison. Wm. Smith was in Louisville June 28 visiting his friends in the order of K. of P. Mr. Smith was well pleased with his stay. The Juvenile choir of Union Baptist church deserves much credit for the good music they have been furnishing for the past month. The Zion Literary society is still holding its own. There was a good crowd last Monday night. This is the first time in its history that they did not close.

Political and Social Affair.

Little Rock, Ark., Special.

The Republican State Convention was in session this week, and put out a full state ticket. One thing noticeable about the convention is such few colored delegates in attendance. The colored people of this state see that the salvation of the race is not in politics. Mrs. Harper is in the city and will hold over here until Bishop Derrick arrives. Dr. G. W. Hayman would make a good candidate for coroner on the Republican county ticket, but the leaders say it would mean suicide to put on a colored man at this time. Dr. D. B. Gains, fresh from college, has opened an office and will practice in this city. A call was issued by Rev. J. M. Conner and others to some of the leading citizens of the city looking forward to the betterment of the financial condition of our people. Among those who responded to the call were Jog Gibbs, G. E. Jones Drs. Hayman, Bruce, Rev. Dr. Ward, lawyer Robinson, Rev. Dr. Conner, Nichols, Rev. J. P. Robinson, Prof. Home, Hon. G. W. Thompson, Rev. Mitchum, Dr. Coffin, Prof Knox, Dr. Scruggs, Miss Crumfton, Hon. Bush Prof. Weltch, Dr. Berry and a good many lesser lights. This body went into organization for work, and in a few months this city can boast of some good enterprise. F. R. Brown runs a nice boarding house at Water and Cross streets.

Hanged by a Mob.

Sulphur Springs, Tex., Special.

Prof. Stanford, of Paris, Texas, lost his only child June 27th. There was a mob violence taken place at Cooper last week. The facts is about as follows: A contractor jumped on a Negro hireling and beat him severely and the Negro went to the car where he had been boarding got a Winchester and shot him. A mob chased him down and hung him. Everybody get ready for the excursion to the Tyler fruit palace, July 20th. Mellons are plentiful now. Rev. M. Wiggins, of Quitman, Texas, was in the city last week. A big gathering was at the Baptist church last Monday night for the purpose of electing teachers for our city school. Prof. S. S Willis, of Pittsburg, Prof. Baker, of Sulphur Springs, and Miss Mary Holdman, of Sulphur Springs, was the choice of the meeting. The new Convention church here will organize with a corp of good members and go forward to do work for the Master. Mrs. Willkerson and J. C. Roads are on the sick list.

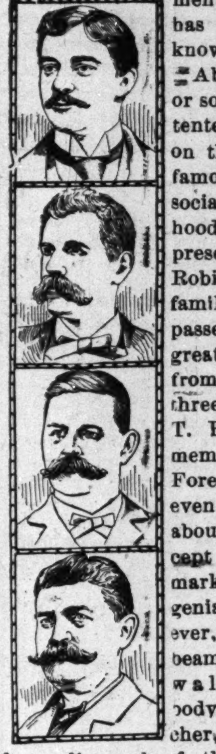
ROBERT STICKNEY,

The World's Greatest Rider.

This wonderful bareback rider, famed all over the civilized world, is one of the feature "Artists" with the Great John Robinson and Franklin Bros.' Enormous Combined Shows. He is the only living rider who has appeared before the crowned heads of Europe, and would never permit his name to be identified with any but the very best tented amusements. Mr. Stickney is the embodiment of grace. His work is so cleverly done that it has the appearance of excessive ease. He springs upon the back of a swiftly running horse as readily as the ordinary man mounts a chair. His thrilling riding created a furore. He conquers his audience by the mastery of his art. Long after the show has come and gone, admiring thousands dilate on the marvel of his performance. This worthy rider is in worthy company. He is surrounded by the strongest array of American and European arenic stars ever gathered together. Innumerable great features enchain the attention of the audience. Schools of educated ponies, goats, pigs and baby elephants; a double troupe of royal Japanese; thrilling aerial acts by the greatest of all aerial performers, Seigrist and Silbon and many others; equestrian acts by more than a score of justly celebrated lady and gentleman riders; arenic sports and pastimes of ancient Rome. together with a real Roman hippodrome. The only elephant-riding lion and numerous other features. The entire show will exhibit at Indianapolis, July 20th.

A "Marriage" of Big Amusements.

The Great John Robinson and Franklin Bros.' Enormous Shows Combined is an epoch in the annals of amusements, the like of which has never before been known.



About every decade or so a new king of the tented world dawns upon the people. Of the famous personalities associated with the boyhoods of the men of the present day, "Old John Robinson," as he was familiarly termed, has passed away, but his great shows have passed from father to son for three generations. P. T. Barnum is but a memory and Adam Forepaugh's name has even ceased to be carted about the country, except as a circus trademark. The face of the genial Barnum, however, is yet made to beam from the dead walls, although his body rests in the sepulcher, and his executors have disposed of the interest in the show, which was held by his estate.

The public has felt that Barnum and Forepaugh's shows without Barnum and Forepaugh were but hollow pretenses, and if it were not for the fact that the great JohnRobinsonShows have passed from father to son, it would naturally have cast around for the coming of the new leaders in this time-honored field of amusement.

There is a destiny that shapes all ends, and the men who are to rule the circus world for the coming span of years are at hand. The sun never moved with more certain tread from the grey of early dawn to the radiance of noon, than has been the progress of the Franklin Brothers during the brief past to the present season, where they and John Robinson, the grand-son of the originator of big tented amusements, now stand foremost in tented enterprises, either in this country or abroad.

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The Herculean Club Picnic.

The Herculean Republican club will give its fourth annual outing at Rushville, Ind., next Wednesday, July 15th, on the beautiful fair grounds of that city. The club will maintain the high grade of its other outings and feel sure that they will carry out the largest and most orderly picnic leaving the city this year. The following is a list of the prizes which will be awarded in the various contests. The contests are open to all, no admission fee will be charged.

BICYCLE RACES.

The prizes have been kindly donated by merchants of this city and will be awarded to the winners of the following contests: One mile novice, woolen sweater, Central Cycle Manufacturing Co.; one-quarter mile dash, hose and cap, the Globe; two mile handicap, automatic bicycle locking holder, Indiana Bicycle Co ; one mile open, bicycle suit, Hay & Willets Manufacturing Co.; one-half mile open, bicycle shoes, Geo. P. Marrott; three mile open, Aladdin bicycle lamp, Conde Implement Co.; one-half mile (ladies,) ladies cape, Worlds Fair.

ATHLETIC CONTESTS.

Standing broad jump, strawhat, Danbury Hat Co.; standing broadside jump belt, H. L. Sanders; standing jumping. high kick, corduroy vest, Bates House Clothing Parlors; 100 yards dash (members of club only) $3 stiff hat, Original 23 Hat Store; one-half mile, pair pants Nicol, The Tailor; 44 yards dash, silk vest, Kahn Tailoring Co.; ball throwing (ladies) ladie's collar, Mrs. E. Brian Judges: W. H. Schmidt, candidate for county treasurer, Chas. Lanier and John Puryear. Jos. Broyles, starter. There are other prizes and contests not arranged as yet, which will be announced on the day of the picnic No intoxicating liquors will be allowed on the grounds, and the excursionists will have police protection. Speeches will be made by James Mount, Republican candidate for governor; Congressman James Watson, the peerless orator; J. K. Gowdy, chairman Republican State central committee; Gabriel Jones, Geo. L. Knox, Rev. J. M. Morton and others. Club members will meet at the club rooms on Indiana avenue at 8 o'clock and march to the depot, headed by the Great Western Band. All clubs desiring to participate are cordially invited to do so. Train will leave Union Station at 8:30 a. m., landing passengers directly on the grounds; returning, leave Rushville at 7 p. m. Tickets can be had of the arrangement committee or at the depot on the morning of the excursion.

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Mr. Geo. S. Williams is one of the largest land owners of Savanah, Ga.

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The printers at Tuskegee University. Tuskegee, Ala., have organized a union.

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Dr. R. J. Macbeth has the distinction of being the only colored dentist in Charleston, S. C.

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A. T. Hall, of Pittsburg, Pa., has been appointed assistant clerk in the city treasurer's office.

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Wm. P. Scoot, of Indianapolis, Ind., has invented and patented an anti-freezing valve for pumps.

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Messrs. Harleston & Wilson on Calhoun street. does a fine undertaking business in Charleston. S. C.

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John Quincy Adams. editor of The Appeal, St. Paul, Minn., has been appointed policeman in said city.

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R. C. Martin, a young colored man of Kansas City, Kan., has been appointed assistant prosecuting attorney.

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Lawrence and Bennett, real estate agents does the largest business in their line. of colored men in Charleston, S.C.

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Noah Johnson is the champion horse-shoer and blacksmith of Georgia, he won the prize at the Atlanta Exposition

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W. F. Stewart of the American Baptist, was elected president of the Press Association at its meeting at St. Louis in June.

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Mrs. Lucy Arthur, a colored woman, died in Stockton, Cal., a few days ago at the age of 108 years, three months and twenty-eight days.

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W. B. Woodruff of Nashville, Tenn., was unamiously elected principal of the Prairie View State Normal school at Praire View, Tex.

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Philadelphia is the home of three of the most prominent female doctors the race has produced. These women are Drs. H. Tanner, Caroline Anderson and Rebecca S. Cole.

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Harvard University has conferred the degree of Master of Arts on Booker T. Washington of Tuskegee, Ala. Mr. Washington is the first Afro-American to be so honored by any University.

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C. C. Leslie is the largest fish and produce dealer in S. C. He does business with hundreds of dealers in and out of the state. He has just received a diploma and medal from the late Cotton States Exposition.

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The colored voters League of Pittsburg, Pa., has appointed a committee to make arrangements for the inter-state convention of the Colored Voters' League. This convention will convene in Pittsbu g on August 12th, and will bring together the representative colored men of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia.

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The Phyllis Wheatly Womans Club of New Orleans, La., have made arrangements with Dr. Atkinson and the faculty of the Medical College of New Orleans University, a new santarium and training school will be opened in September for the training of colored nurses and doctors. The club intends, with the help of the Medical Department, to have sufficient wards to start with, a supervising nurse, and faculties for the training of young women who wish to adopt the profession of nurse. There will be pay wards, and and free wards.

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Shaw University Raleigh, N.C., for colored people, gets $25,000 by the recent death of Mr. Green, a wealthy citizens of Massachusetts, who leaves by will the above amount to that institution.

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Nashville, Tenn., has a fire company composed of colored men; it is No. 4, and is said to be the crack company of the city.

The town of Judson is on an island in the Mississippi River, just above Memphis. The island is owned by a Negro planter. Elmer Judson, this Negro, the son of a wealthy white planter, contests his father's will, and the courts duly allow him a part of the property. The island is eleven miles long and eight wide. It has a population of about four hundred and fifty inhabitants, all of whom are black, and no white person is allowed to come there except as a visitor. The town is well organized and governed, and Mr. Judson is an educated man with progressive ideas. He owns everything on the island, and most of the inhabitants are his tenants. He is justice of the peace, and is greatly interested in the welfare of his people. The town has several shops, stores, two churches and a school.

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A Lack of Interest Shown by the Negro—Some Worthy Subjects Discussed by Members and Friends of the Club.

In view of having to change secretaries so often, and at present being without one, I prepare this paper on the first year's work of the Frederick Douglass Club. This club was organized in the People's church of this city in the month of April 1895, Mrs. L. H. Stone and Mrs. W. H. McCountie being the instigators and promoters of tuis work among the young men and women of color. To them and others of the People's church, we owe a debt of gratitude. It is through their influence that the club stands where it does to-day, one of the leading clubs of the city. I say this because a Negro must be indorsed by white people to be received by them.

Mrs. Stone is called the mother of clubs in the State of Michigan, and it is through her name and position that the Douglass Club is so well known, not only here, but in other states. I picked up a Chicago paper not long since and was somewhat surprised to see mention made of us and our work, insignificant as many of our own race would have it appear. In view of the work being new to us, (many having been members of secret societies, but not of clubs) we are to be congatulated for the courageous manner in which we have taken hold of and grappled with subjects hitherto unknown to us. One of the first meetings of interest at the People's church, a paper on the "Lynchings of the Negroes of the South" was given by Mrs. Wheatley denouncing the lawlessness of the Southern whites. This was followed by Miss Kane and others on the same subject. Discussions followed, in which both black and white took part. It was hot and interesting while it lasted. We were afterwards favored with a lecture by Miss Bartlett Pearson on her European trip, which was illustrated with views of many of the places visited. There were only eight colored persons present, the audience being made up of white people. At another time Mrs. Senator J. C. Burrow read a delightful paper entitled a "Run Through Ireland." Only four dark faces were to be found at this lecture, which goes to show how much the Negroes of Kalamazoo appreciate lectures.

I am led to believe that our best work as a club has been done since coming to the A. M. E. church. Among others who have lectured to us are John Dungill of South Harem on the "Life of Frederick Douglass," and Mr. McBain, state lecturer, of Michigan on "Good Temper." Those who have addressed us at different times are the Rev. J. Watkins of Buffalo, N. Y., Rev. A. R. Wilson of Atlanta, Ga., Revs. Kane and Farrier of this city, and W. T. McKinnie of Union City, S. C. The following biographical sketches have been given by members of the club: "Toussaint L'Overture," Miss Hattie Evans; "Life of Rev. John Charons," Miss Ionia Lewis; "Life of Alex Dumas, Jr.," Mrs. S. S. Wheatley; "Phylis Wheatley," Miss Stella Stafford; "Napoleon Bonaparte," Edward McKay; "Empress Josephine," Miss Mabel Hill; "Progress of the Negro," Miss Lavinia Lewis; "Lynching of the Negroes and Review of the Lectures," John Temple Graves; "Our Opportunities and do we Improve Them, and Originality," Mrs. S. Wheatly; "The Negroes' Condition Twenty-five Years Hence and Capital Punishment," Miss Grace Eaton. "The American Question and Unity," Miss Alice Smith; "How to Conduct a Lawsuit," W. T. W. Stafford; an analytic talk on the frame work of the human body, by Chas. O. Balliff. Short talks have been made by Mr. Evans, Mrs. Hedgpath, Miss Lewis, Mr. Goins, Mr. Wheatley, Mr. Lewis of Lawton and others. Over seventy-five items embracing a large variety of subjects have been read and discussed by members and friends of the club. One concert has been given by the club, at which Phillips' Orchestra kindly donated their services. Wm. Cummins has on numerous occasions sang for us, for which we are grateful. Members of the club and friends who have favored us with vocal and instrumental music are Mesdames Chas. Ridgely, Gilmore Phillips, Sam Wheatley, Misses Florence Brown, Bessie Hackley, Hellen Lewis, Theodoria Kane, Martha Cousons, Bertha Brown, Thos. Markford, Charles Pollard, Levi Bates and Enoch Stewart.

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CITY HAPPENINGS—PERSONAL.

Ky Lawson is recovering from a recent illness.

Jerry McAfee won the Tuxedo road race July 4th.

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Mrs. Chas. Lanier left last Monday for Ft. Wayne.

The Freeman is on sale at the Bates House barber shop.

C. W. Newton of Jacksonville, Ill., was in the city this week.

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B. W. Williams left Monday to spend six weeks at Pine Lakes.

Eddie Jones, of the postoffice, spent his vacation in Dayton, O.

Rev. Geo. L. Davis spent last Tuesday in Columbus lecturing.

Miss Lizzie Weathers of Louisville is visiting friends in Second street.

Marion Reese has returned to the city after an absence of several years.

Mrs. Lou Smoots is very ill at her residence in North California street.

Go with the King's Daughters to Blue River Park, Tuesday July 14th.

Mrs. Effie Givens spent several days in Danville this week, the guest of her mother.

Miss Howell of Gallipolis, O., is a guest of Mrs. Allen, North Capital avenue.

Walter Rollins left last Monday for Jacksonville, Ill., to visit friends and relatives.

Henry Hart and daughters, Misses Myrtle and Willa, left last week for the lakes.

Everybody is going with the King's Daughters Tuesday July 14th. Won't you go too?

Mrs. Julia Rice of Cincinnati, was the guest of Mrs. Lillian Henderson last Sunday.

Miss Ella Dupee of Louisville, is the guest of Mrs. Dupee and family in Howard street.

Mrs. Irene Posey entertained the Sewing Circle last Thursday evening at her residence.

Thomas Davidson and wife of Hamilton, O., are guests of his mother, North California street.

Boat riding, croquet, and fishing at Blue River Park, Tuesday, July 14th.

Mrs. E. E. Cooper of Washington, D. C., will be the guest of Mrs. A. H. Henderson this month.

Julius R. Cox will preach his initial sermon Sunday, July 19th at Corinthian church at 8 o'clock p. m.

Come and help swell the number—King's Daughters picnic at Blue River Park Tuesday July 14th.

Master Edward Porter was seriously burned in the face by the explosion of a toy cannon on the 4th.

Mrs. Emma Baker and Miss Cora Christy spent a few days in Richmond, Ind., and Xenia, O., recently.

Mrs. Lillian Thomas-Fox left this week on a tour through the State. She will give recitals in elocution.

Plenty of shade and an abundance of shelter at Blue River Park. Don't fail to go the King's Daughters picnic.

Miss Ada Harris left Tuesday afternoon for Washington, D. C., to attend the Christian Endeavor Convention.

J. Milton Benson will spend his vacation at the State Normal School at Terre Haute. He will represent The Freeman.

Mrs. Herbert Clark and Mrs. Richard Cole of St. Louis are the guests of Mrs. A. H. Henderson, 239 North California street.

Miss Kate Mann gave a musical Wednesday evening in honor of her guest, Miss Edna Anderson of Cleveland, O.

Chas. Higgs, a rising young artist of Peoria, Ill., spent the 4th with his sister, Mrs. Geo. Woods, South State avenue.

Miss Edna Anderson, who is the guest of Miss Kate Mann, will leave next week for her home, accompanied by her hostess.

Marion County S. S. Union will have a grand entertainment July 20th. Rev. G. L. Davis will lecture, "Satanity vs. Christianity."

Miss Susie Webster of Louisville, has returned to the city to make her future home with Mrs. R. Henson, 123 West Vermont street.

No charge for embalming unless the body is preserved. Why have your friends unfit to be seen on the day of the funeral?—Flanner & Buchanan.

William Hall of New York, has returned to the city to spend a few weeks the guest of Mrs. R. Henson, 123 West Vermont street.

Matthew Toomey, the youth evangelist of Tennessee, will preach at the Second Baptist church Sunday, July 12th at 8 p. m.

Mrs. Belle Medsker of Franklin, passed through the city Tuesday en route home from Terre Haute where she spent the 4th.

All the young people should go with the Tuxedo Club to the fourth annual outing of the Herculean Club, July 15th, at Rushville.

Rev. W. H. Hall of Cincinnati, formerly of Providence, R. I., was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Morton of Elizabeth street.

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Miss Anna Thomas of Knightstown, and Miss Grace Cambron of Evansville are guests of Misses Bessie and Leola Moker, 158 Howard street.

The Fidelity Saving and Loan Association holds its annual election, Wednesday evening, July 15th. Four directors are to be voted for.

Mrs. Mamie McCary left Thursday to spend the summer in Toledo, and Cleveland, O., and on the lakes. She will be the guest of relatives and friends.

The funeral of Omer Thomas, who was murdered at Michigan City, occurred at the home of his parents, North Senate avenue Wednesday.

The Acme Club met at the residence of Mrs. Jessie Turner, Senate Avenue North, Friday evening July 3rd. They met at Mrs. Henderson's yesterday.

The Launfal Circle of King's Daughters and Corinthian Baptist King's Daughter's and Sons will picnic at Blue River Park Tuesday, July 14th.

The Rev. Dr. Lawton, pastor of the Ninth Presbyterian church, preached two excellent sermons last Sunday. He is an able orator and a profound reasoner.

There will be a corner-stone laying at St. Paul Baptist church, Haughville, Sunday, July 26th. Rev. Wm. Payne, the pastor, is a zealous worker, and he cordially invites the public.

Miss Allie Morgan, Mrs. Sarah Dudley, Mrs. R. T. Williams, Miss Mattie Taylor and J. Milton Benson were the delegates to the Sabbath School Convention at Richmond last week.

City subscribers not receiving their papers regular should call at the office and see that their subscription is paid in advance. Remember until the first of August The Freeman will be sent to any address one year for $1.00.

"SWAMP ANGEL" ON THE WING.

"Hew to the line, let the chips fall where they may," has ever been our motto. The chips have been hewn, and from present indications, have fell on and crippled 399 of the "400," and that one is denying any knowledge of such an absurd organization. We are not opposed to organizations when they have a pure, high motive in view, but when a call is made for men and women to organize, with only a new suit or a fair face for the passport, we say down them! When they meet to discuss the non-admission of a certain teacher, because of a dusky complexion, we say down them! When they, because they do not dig and delve in the streets, or do other menial labor, refuse to recognize such persons that do, with simply a bow, we say down them! yea, thrice down them! Abraham Lincoln grasped the horny-hand of the rugged farmer more readily than that of the vice president, and yet there are those in our midst, with their abundant (?) store of knowledge who will not condescend to show good manners to the old and decrepit, and yet, they self-impose as leaders. The brains of many of the young people have been warped by self-conceit. We know one young man who has over-taxed the little gray matter in his cranium by trying to pose as a society man, and can scarce write his name.

PRESBYTERIAN NOTES.

The public is cordially invited to attend the services of the Ninth Presbyterian church on Michigan street. Dr. W. R. Lawton, who is earnest and practical will preach from the following subjects: July 12th, 11 a. m., "Go Forward;" at 8:00 p. m., "Value of the Truth;" July 19th, 11 a. m., "One Chasing a Thousand;" at 8 p. m., "The Peoples' Man;" July 26th, 11 a. m., "Caleb and Joshua's Report;" at 8 p. m., "Christian Liberty."

CHRISTIAN CHURCH NOTES.

Elder Campbell has been recalled as pastor.

Rev. A. Campbell is quite ill from the effects of a surgical operation.

Rev. R. C. O. Benjamin preached Sunday evening. His text was John 19-20, theme "It is Finished."

THE COMING B. M. C.

The Grand United Order of Odd Fellows Meets in the City in October.

The Biennal Movable Committee of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows of the United States will meet in this city in October.

Already extensive preparations are being made by the joint committee of the local lodges to give the visiting delegations one of the finest and best arranged receptions that has been given a B. M. C.

The B. M. C., which was held in Boston and Cincinnati were fine and memorable occassions, yet it is believed, by those having the arrangements in charge here, that this will be second to none. We citizens of Indianapolis should, and it is believed have enough home pride to lend whatever assistance may be necessary to make it the finest in the history of the order. Incidental to the meeting will be the usual biannual election of grand officers and J. J. C. McKinley, of Louisville, is a candidate for grand secretary.

Mr. McKinley is the district grand secretary for Kentucky, which office he has held for sixteen years and is one of the best known and popular Odd Fellow in the State. A thorough Odd Fellow, being thoroughly conversant with the workings of the order and thorougly posted in the history from its infancy in this country. Mr. McKinley has the interest of the order at heart and is a zealous worker for its advancement. He is a genial and a hale fellow well met, in fact he has all those qualities and capabilities which at once places him in position to be the best suited man for the position. The District Grand Lodge, of Indiana, which met in annual session last August endorsed McKinley in his candidacy for the grand secretaryship and other District Lodges will do well to follow the example set by the Indiana Lodge, which will result in his election here in Oct.

Tendered a Reception.

Rt. Rev. G. W. Clinton, A. M., D.D., Bishop of the Seventh Episcopal District of the A. M. E. Zion church, arrived in the city the 3rd to make his first visit to the churches. He visited Walter's Chapel at 11 a. m. Sunday, Lovely Lane at 3 p. m., Jones Tabernacle at 8 p. m., and Penick Chapel Monday evening at 8 p. m. He preached four able sermons, and made a good impression on his hearers. A welcome reception was tendered the Bishop by the committees of Jones Tabernacle Tuesday evening, which was well attended. Revs. L. M. Hagood, W. A. Forman, and several other ministers were present. Some timely remarks were made by Hon. G. L. Knox and Rev. Hagood, and was responded to by the Bishop Miss Katie Stevenson made the welcome address, and music was furnished by the choirs, and a solo by Miss Maud Mitchell.

Obituary

NETTIE MAUD CHRISTY.

Miss Nettie Maud Christy departed this life Thursday, July 2nd, at the home of her parents on North California street after an illness of six months. Funeral services were held at Bethel church Sunday morning, July 5th. Rev. H. H. Thompson and Rev. Morris Lewis officiating. Miss Christy was well known in musical circles and had many friends and admirers who sincerely regret her early demise. She was a faithful christian and bore her illness patiently. Sympathy is extened to the bereaved family. She was a member of the Daughters of Charity who turned out at the funeral. Miss Georgia Stevenson sang a beautiful solo, it being the request of the deceased and the Christian church choir and Bethel choir rendered several beautiful pieces. She was a member of Bethel choir and was organist of the Christian choir for a year before her illness. There were many beautiful floral offerings.

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When Senator John Sherman, in response to an invitation, visited Metropolitan A. M. E. church at Washington, D. C., he was so impulsed with the beauty of his surroundings that there came from his lips a spontaneous burst of enthusiasm, which manifested itself in these words: "How beautiful, a fit temple to worship the true and living God." A visit to Bethel A. M. E. church of this city makes one feel like echoing the sentiment of Senator Sherman. In all of its appointments it is the peer of any in the west, and the sweet music of the choir best represents how the poetry of song is competent to bring comfort and cheer to every heart. The congregation is far above the average intelligence—refined, cultured, and with all these elements the careful observer can see that vanity does not play an important part, nor does it in any way detract from their religious devotion. Rev. H. H. Thompson, the pastor, appears to be master of the situation and executes the offices of his position with a modesty that would become one in an humble walk of life.

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An Indianapolis' Minister at Blue River Park.

Rev. E. F. D. Zimmerman, pastor of Garfield Baptist church of this city, was viciously assaulted by a gang of ruffians at Blue River Park last Sunday. There had been a basket meeting held there under the auspices of some of the Baptist churches of this city. Rev. Zimmerman was in attendance but missed the train, in waiting to hear a whistle blow as a signal for starting. He was the only colored man thereabout. Five white men headed by one, Simon Jones, approached him and demanded 55 cents of him which they held he owed him.

The pastor remonstrated, saying that he was a stranger and that he knew no one there nor owed any one. They at once began to jerk him about, demanding that he go to the woods with them. He refused. The commotion attracted the attention of W. H. Fleece, Gaze Walton, Wm. Reagan, a Mr. Crammer, J. A. Hadley and Thomas Case, all white men, who came to his rescue. Rev. Zimmerman says they yelled "mob him," "shoot him," and like expressions. He was conducted to the town near by where his rescuers took him to J. B. Setler's hotel. The white gentlemen advise the pastor to proceed against them in the courts. He will institute proceedings at once Robbery seemed to be the motive for attacking the pastor.

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